

Issues/Programs Quarterly Report

January 1, 2009 – March 31, 2009

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The following CBS network programs are represented in this report:

Face the Nation

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In direct response to timely news topics, viewer letters/emails, and routine community ascertainties throughout the WRAL viewing area, WRAL-TV elected to cover the following issues through news stories, public affairs programming, documentaries, and special reports:

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CONSUMER

2:00 01/05/2009 5PM

Cell Phone/Home Phone Combo

In this report, we review a new system that can help your cell phone work better at home.

2:00 01/07/2009 5PM

Hedingham Sinkhole

Neighbors asked for help because a sinkhole formed between their homes. The city says it's because the golf course behind them did not maintain a drain pipe opening. The golf course refused to help, so they called SOYS for assistance.

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Restaurant Ratings

We show the top and bottom scoring restaurants according to county sanitation reports.

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We have the best and worst scoring restaurants according to county inspection report, and show their violations.

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Cell Phone Savings

In this report, we show viewers how to save money on cell phone bills.

3:00 01/28/2009 5PM

RPS Contracting

A local contractor took money and did not complete the job. Turns out this isn't the first time. He has a long rap sheet.

2:30 01/29/2009 5PM

Best Used Cars

Consumer Reports lists the best used cars for the money, based on safety, performance, and reliability.

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Bundling

We looked at the possible money you can save on bundling your services - such as phone, internet, and television.

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Pick Up Crash Tests

Crash test results according to the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety.

3:00 02/13/2009 5PM

Restaurant Ratings

In this Restaurants by Request segment, we highlight the sanitation of restaurants people may want to visit for Valentine's Day.

3:00 02/16/2009 5PM

300,000 Mile Car

We rode with a viewer as her car rolled over 300,000 miles! Beyond that, we talked about how keeping up with maintenance can make your car last and save you a ton in car payments.

2:30 02/18/2009 5PM

Debt Reduction Scams

This is a warning that some so-called debt reduction companies can get you deeper in debt than you were to start with.

3:00 02/19/2009 5PM

Metal Building Mess

The owner of a metal building company is taking money, but not building the buildings.

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Energy Monitors

These devices allow you to find out where your energy is going. It helps identify power vampires you never would have thought of.

3:00 02/26/2009 5PM

Rental Scam

This is a new take on the Nigerian Scam. In this case the scammers took a Craig's List House for Sale ad and changed it to House for Rent. They also changed the phone number. The homeowner had no idea until there were people walking around her home and even knocking on her door! The scammers were trying to get people to send them a deposit. We had a warning in this report.

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3:00 03/02/2009 5PM

High Mileage Cars

After our story on the 300,000 mile car, more people emailed us about their high mileage vehicles. This is a follow-up story.

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Save On Car Maintenance

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We have some ways to keep your car maintained, but not spend a fortune doing it.

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Rollover Dangers

In this report, we review vehicles that are most likely to roll over.

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Reliable Remodelers

This is the company used by a number of people to find the contractor featured the night before. This site and others imply that they screen contractors. Even though contractor Rick Stacy had a criminal record, he was still recommended.

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Reward Cards

Consumer Reports has the best reward credit cards and advice on what to look for.

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Cutting Drug Costs

Consumer Reports shows us options to discuss with a doctor for cutting drug expenses.

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Blue Ray Players

Consumer Reports put Blue Ray players to the test and shares the results in this report.

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Best Cars For The Money

A review of the best vehicles for your money according to Consumer Reports.

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Save On Formula

In this story, we look at helpful ways to save money on baby formula.

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DOCUMENTARY/INVESTIGATIVE REPORTS

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Focal Point: "Time and Time Again"

Focal Point: "*Time and Time Again*" follows the path of 38-year-old Kerry Norman, who has been in and out of prison for most of his adult life. Our camera shows his life in prison, captures his most recent release, follows his struggles as he tries to transition back into society and is there when he is re-arrested and returned to prison just two months later. Norman's story illustrates the challenges inmates face trying to return to life on the outside and the challenges probation and parole officers and social workers face trying to help them make it and avoid a return trip to prison. The program also looks at possible solutions to the problem of recidivism.

30:00 02/25/2009 7PM

Focal Point: "In A Flash"

Focal Point: "*In a Flash*" examines the high number of teen auto fatalities in our state. Interviews with the parents and friends of some of the teenagers killed in car crashes reveal the grief and pain they've suffered as a result. The program also examines some of the causes of the crashes and looks at efforts to prevent them.

3:00 03/11/2009 6PM

Juvenile Justice

The juvenile crime rate in North Carolina is at an 8-year low -- but the types of crimes juveniles are committing are becoming more and more violent. Many say the system that deals with those offenders is overwhelmed and under-funded. In this WRAL Investigation, Amanda Lamb tackles what some point to as the problems, and what's being done to fix them.

3:00 03/16/2009 6PM

RPD Expenses

Money, and how it's being spent, has some people questioning Raleigh's police chief. After months of looking through files, WRAL took the numbers to the chief for some perspective and answers. Kelcey Carlson shares the details in this WRAL Investigation.

DTV EDUCATION

2:50 01/07/2009 5PM

Interview With FCC Commissioner

During a recent visit to the Triangle, WRAL interviewed FCC Commissioner Kevin Martin on the status of the DTV transition.

5:00 01/15/2009 6PM

DTV Soft Test

Five minute segment at the end of our 6PM news. People who are not ready for the transition saw a message about getting ready. Those who are ready, saw our reports. The station provided phone support for viewers with questions about preparing for the transition.

2:00 02/17/2009 5PM

DTV Update

Today was the original date stations were to turn off their analog signals. We update on the status regarding the digital transition.

EDUCATION

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Cardinal Gibbons Day

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It's the 100th anniversary of the Catholic high school. The City council made the declaration to pay tribute. The school opened in 1909 as Sacred Heart High School. It's the only high school operated by the Catholic Diocese of Raleigh.

2:00 01/05/2009 11PM

Reassignment Meeting

School District staff has already made changes to the proposal based on earlier public input. The next meeting is at Southeast Raleigh High on Thursday. School Board members will vote on the plan next month.

2:00 01/08/2009 5PM

Reassignment

School board members say the reassignments are necessary because of the high population growth and to balance out schools by the numbers and based on diversity. They also say they value public input sessions so they can hear about the potential hardships for families and tweak the plan.

2:00 01/11/2009 11PM

Run For Young

This is Sadiki Young's Senior Picture - but the 18 year old never got a chance to graduate from Wakefield High. He died two years ago in an alcohol related wreck. The driver of the car had been drinking.

2:00 01/12/2009 5PM

Athens Drive Sex Offender

School officials say Marcus Johnson asked to volunteer at Athens Drive High School. When he used his driver's license to sign in, the school's security system "Lobby Guard" flagged him as a registered sex offender.

2:00 01/13/2009 5PM

Johnston County Teacher

Dave Hinrichs has been teaching for 14 years. He says he's known ever since elementary school that he wanted to be a teacher, even planning really early on what his classroom would be like for students.

2:00 01/14/2009 6AM

Weldon Teacher Retention

For the most recent school year, Weldon's teacher turnover rate was more than 41 percent. By far, the highest figure in the state. We discuss the details of why this is happening in this report.

2:00 01/16/2009 5PM

Enloe Asst Principal Attacked

Another attack at Enloe High School in Raleigh. This morning, police say a faculty member was mugged as she got out of her car. WRAL's Adam Owens explains how parents are divided over whether the school is safe.

2:00 01/22/2009 6AM

Wake Reassignment

It's a painstaking process to plow through this thick binder of data. Wake County's reassignment plan for the next three years is under review. Board members are talking through it and Barbara Walsh, mother of four, is willing to sit through it.

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Panther Creek

One Cary high school is 500 students over capacity. The modular units at Panther Creek High School are ready, but students can't move in until Cary grants a certificate of occupancy. It's waiting on the school board to agree to pay \$1.4 million dollars for road improvements. Some board members don't think it's the district's responsibility.

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Wake Teacher Salute

It's time to Salute our Teacher of the Week. She's been at her school for just three years. But as Valonda Calloway reports, veteran teachers look to her for advice and inspiration.

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Reassignment

Wake County School Board members have heard from parent after parent up in arms over their student reassignment proposal. We share the details in this report.

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Teacher Advancement

The Milken Family Foundation created TAP in 1999 to address the nation's teacher shortage and lack of professional development and support. Wilburn is paying for the teacher incentives by reallocating money it gets from the federal Title one program, which goes toward high-poverty schools.

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Laptop Launch

Edgecombe County: The school system calls it their Laptop Launch. Every high school student in the county will now be issued a laptop computer to use both in and out of the classroom.

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Sex Education

Lawmakers and public health advocates stood shoulder to shoulder determined to change the way North Carolina public schools teach sex education.

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Orange County Teacher

Rigsbee recently went on a search for her first grade teacher at Braggtown Elementary school in Durham. She says Mrs. Warneke inspired her and made her a better student. The women met in New York and Rigsbee got a chance to say "thank you".

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June Atkinson

June Atkinson wants lawmakers to give her authority to run the Department of Public Instruction. Since 1995, the superintendent post has been more of an ambassador role. If they don't change the post, Atkinson says she would support allowing voters to decide if the elected position should be abolished altogether.

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Kindergarten Age

The rules have changed for kindergarten registration in many school districts. The General Assembly moved the eligibility date from October 16th to August 31st.

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School Dropout Rate

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Bill Harrison is the new Chief Executive of the North Carolina school system. One of his top priorities is to keep kids from dropping out of high school.

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Homeschooling Up

A recent study from The Department of Education shows homeschooling is becoming more popular. In our area, the increase is even bigger than it is nationally. In today's Project Education report, Valonda Calloway shows us the numbers aren't the only thing changing.

2:00 02/07/2009 6AM

School Bus Fire

This was the scene in the shared parking lot of South View Middle and High Schools in Hope Mills. Investigators say one bus was destroyed and several others damaged by fire. No arrests have been made. Authorities say on the weekend, anywhere from 30 to 40 buses are parked in the school lot.

2:30 02/10/2009 5PM

Cedar Ridge Teacher

Ms. Henderson is an exceptional teacher and one of the reasons is she's able to reach the students and let them know she cares but she also has such high expectations and high standards for herself and the students.

2:30 02/12/2009 6PM

UNC Tuition Discussion

System president Erskine Bowles has asked each school to reduce their tuition requests by a third. But facing a system-wide 7% budget cut from state could still mean hikes and hundreds of faculty jobs cut to make up the difference

2:00 02/12/2009 5PM

Private School Costs

The head of The Duke School says so far inquiries and applications for next school year are exactly where they expected them to be. Many of the private schools in the area say their open houses have been full of interested families

2:00 02/13/2009 6PM

Wake School Bus Shooting

On Thursday, a juvenile petition was filed against the 11-year-old boy, similar to charges filed in the adult court. He could also face disciplinary action from the school system. Parents at the school were notified about the shooting incident by phone.

2:00 02/17/2009 6PM

Campbell Law School

Presently, Raleigh is the only state capital without a law school. Obviously, that's about to change in the fall when as many as 400 students start attending law school classes here in Raleigh at Campbell Law School.

2:00 02/17/2009 6AM

School Board Meeting Preview

Like the students they oversee, the Wake County Board of Education is going to be in class all day -- sitting in meetings that will take up most of the day, studying some of the biggest issues facing several county schools.

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Franklin Teacher Salute

Science teacher Katie Tatum doesn't just talk to her students about how garbage affects the earth, she shows them. The Terrell Lane Middle School teacher started a water quality project. Her students go to the Tar River in Louisburg every month and conduct water quality tests. She arranged for a biologist to work with her students but the work doesn't stop there.

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Athletics Bill

It's an issue over teams that already has people taking sides. A new bill would allow students to attend one school, but play a sport for another. WRAL's Erin Hartness spoke to people with strong opinions on both sides.

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Diversity Hearing

A public forum begins tonight at Martin Street Baptist Church in Raleigh to discuss diversity within our schools.

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Franklin School Cuts

State officials say the amount of funding cut could vary by district. They, too, say it may be tough for some school systems not to cut positions.

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Wake Spring Break

Teachers who have vacation plans for spring break will likely have to take a non-paid leave day, or work it out with their principals. Now the calendar is set by a committee made up of administrators, parents and teachers. Next year's calendar is already done and there are three weather makeup days that fall during Spring Break period.

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Severe Weather Awareness Week

Barwell Elementary like every other school statewide is holding a tornado drill today, and with the mercury still dipping below the freezing mark the thought of tornadoes may seem odd. But 70 degree temps are forecast for this weekend which is an indication weather this time of the year is volatile. For our schools, it's never too early to be ready for severe weather.

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Harrison School CEO Swearing In

Harrison took the oath to become the State school system's new chief executive. Governor Perdue created the position to consolidate authority and accountability for public schools. Harrison was also elected the new chairman of the State Board of Education. He replaces former chairman Howard Lee.

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Teacher Pay Cuts

School on a Saturday to makeup a snow day. Second-graders at Barwell Elementary don't mind nor does their teacher, Robin Fischl.

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Harrison/Atkinson Issue

When Bill Harrison was sworn in yesterday, he not only became chairman of the State Board of Education, but the CEO of the Department of Public Instruction. The new double duty was the

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idea of Governor Bev Perdue. She wants Harrison to clean up a public school leadership system that many say has been dysfunctional for years.

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Bertie County Teaching Cadets

Along with a handful of her classmates, they form the Teacher Cadets. This program hires qualified students straight out of High School, pays them a salary, pays for their college education, and puts them to work in a Bertie County classroom.

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Homeschool Ruling

Homeschooling versus Public Schools -- the case hits home for a Wake County family. Vanessa Mills and her husband are going through a divorce. She's been teaching her kids at home for a couple of years. She bases her lessons on the bible. Her soon-to-be ex husband wants the children exposed to mainstream education. A judge agreed with him, but an official ruling will be issued in a few weeks.

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Wake School Board Meeting

More than fifteen people signed up to speak to school board members about the superintendent's proposed budget. There were pleas to protect children's education, including those who are the most at-risk.

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School Calendar

The group says the two week break hurts mandatory exam scores. They also point to classes scheduled during this years spring break to makeup for snow days as a reason to support a new bill that would allow them to start school at the beginning of August.

2:00 03/24/2009 NOON

Cell Phone Ban

Starting today, school leaders will confiscate cell phones from students at Fayetteville Christian School. The new policy comes after teachers caught students texting test answers to each other. Phones will be returned at the end of the day. "Violators" will be assigned a Saturday work day at the school and a \$25 dollar fine. The school warns repeat offenders could be suspended from school.

HEALTH

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Labor Prediction

There are more than five-hundred thousand premature births every year in the U.S. A new test may help predict those births. As Dr. Mask explains, doctors say the test could help prevent some health risks for premature babies.

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Resolution Strategy

Something about the days after New Year's makes people re-think their life and health. Though most of us resolve to do better, the best intentions often fail along the way. WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask offers help to stick to your healthy resolutions.

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Bad Breath

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A simple new procedure may help thousands of people who suffer from halitosis - better known as bad breath. As Dr. Allen Mask explains, doctors say the procedure is quick and painless.

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DBS Parkinson's

With an older population in the U.S., there's an increase in Parkinson's Disease. Symptoms include tremors, muscle stiffness and movement problems. WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask reports on a new study comparing the risks and benefits of two widely used Parkinson's disease treatments.

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C Section Risk

This study was done in part at UNC. Many couples choose to schedule C-sections because they've had one before and it's easier to plan for. Until now, doctors thought the window of opportunity to perform a cesarean section was a couple of weeks before or after the due date. But this study narrows that down to one week before.

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RSV Virus

The common cold is bad enough for young children. But a more severe cold-like virus is sending many of those children to the hospital. RSV stands for Respiratory Syncytial Virus and usually infects children before the age of 2. For most of those children, the virus is no worse than the common cold. But for others, more severe symptoms develop that may need emergency care.

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Heart Aware

Heart attack or stroke accounts for almost one out of every three deaths in this country. Many people don't know they're at risk until it's too late. As WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask reports - a new online tool may help to identify those people - and help them cut their risk.

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Tobacco Report

When it comes to tobacco control, North Carolina is one of seven states to receive all Fs! It's report card time for government action to prevent tobacco-caused illness. The American Lung Association flunked the federal government and North Carolina.

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JAMA Pad Exercise

It makes walking short distances difficult and even painful and it's called Peripheral Arterial Disease. And it's common among many diabetics and cigarette smokers. As WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask reports, researchers find out how two different types of exercise may help the condition.

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Flu Update

Flu season is getting ready to hit its peak. Nationally, the flu accounts for two-hundred thousand hospitalizations and thirty-six thousand deaths. Dr. Allen Mask shares an update on the situation in NC.

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Gastric Bypass

Gastric bypass surgeries can lead to significant weight loss, but it might not last. The new small stomach pouch can stretch and the patient can gain weight again. As WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask reports, a new minimally invasive procedure addresses the problem.

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Exercise Heart

Wrinkles and gray hair are tell tale signs of older age. But a person's ability to exercise affects how well they function in their golden years. As WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask reports - a new study sheds light on what happens in the heart to slow us down.

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ER Observation Unit

Overcrowded emergency rooms often lead to overcrowded patient rooms, and that leads to higher costs for both the hospital and patients. As the government looks for ways to reduce health care costs, WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask shows us a way Duke is trying fix both issues.

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Stem Cells

A possible breakthrough today in stem cell research. The Food and Drug Administration approved the first human trials of human embryonic stem cell research for spinal injury patients. Health Team Dr. Allen Mask shares what the research could mean.

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Whooping Cough

For any new mom, keeping her baby safe and healthy is her top priority. But most moms don't realize they need to be protecting their child from themselves. Dr. Allen Mask explain more in this report.

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Breast Cancer Screening

A new study out today examines a treatment that greatly increases a woman's risk of breast cancer. It involves more than twenty thousand women in the U.S. who've received chest radiation to treat cancer as a young adult or as a child. WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask tells us, those women are at greater risk of getting breast cancer and how they manage their health may provide insight into beating back this dreaded disease.

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Spinal Fusion

An estimated thirty-one million Americans suffer back pain on a daily basis. They spend fifty billion dollars a year to try to get rid of it. Fortunately, the great majority of patients can be treated with physical therapy and medication. WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask explains that for the rest, a minimally invasive procedure promises relief.

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Frail Seniors

It's no secret that as we age, our muscles and bones will get weaker. But what if we could slow down that process or even turn it around? As WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask explains, Duke researchers believe a certain type of drug shows promise.

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Swim Resolution

Some New Year's resolutions to exercise more are wearing thin. That's because, for many people jogging is causing the same old problems like knee or foot pain. But as WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask explains, the solution to your resolution may be in a weightless and wet environment.

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Double Mastectomy

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With breast cancer, decisions about treatment may involve removing the cancerous breast. But an increasing number of women are taking the radical step of having their healthy breast removed to prevent cancer. As WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask reports, new research may help breast cancer patients with this agonizing decision.

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Anorexia Couple

With anorexia nervosa, people lose extreme amounts of weight by virtually starving themselves and they never see themselves as thin enough. The illness has the highest rate of death of any psychiatric disorder. Dr. Allen Mask talks about the importance of getting professional help.

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Docs Rock

Each member of a new rock band in town has hands as steady as a surgeon's. That's because they are surgeons treating women with gynecological cancers. Dr. Allen Mask tells us how they combine their hobby with their real jobs.

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Blood Clots

Nearly a million people in the U.S. suffer from Deep Vein Thrombosis or blood clots in the deep veins of the body. It can cause painful leg swelling and it can be life threatening. But WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask shows us that a new, simple procedure can eliminate clots and get patients back on their feet.

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Pediatric MRSA

Many parents know what it's like for their child to wake up crying. It could be anything like a bad dream or a cold. But as WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask explains, for a Fayetteville family it was the start of a mystery illness that led them to Duke.

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Child Glaucoma

Many of us in this state know how fortunate we are to have Duke Children's Hospital right here if we need it for our children. But we may take for it granted - until we realize that many families come here from across the country. In fact, one Indiana family, with a son dealing with vision problems now calls this their second home.

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JAMA Amputees

Many war veterans know that an arm amputation can be tremendously limiting. Prosthetics can seem cumbersome and difficult to control. But as WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask explains, for patients who have some nerves reattached, better control of advanced prosthetics is possible.

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Women Heart

You may think that men are more reluctant to see a doctor when they don't feel well and that women are the brave ones. However, Sudden Cardiac Death in men is declining. But in women, it's staying the same or slightly increasing.

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Breast Cancer Pregnancy

There's no good time to find out you have breast cancer, but pregnancy may be the worst time. Some past small studies suggest breast cancer during pregnancy makes the disease more

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aggressive and more likely to return. But WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask explains, a new large study finds that's not necessarily true.

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Rat Study

One in every 20 people in the U.S. develops auto-immune diseases, such as type 1 diabetes and multiple sclerosis. One in every 10 people develops nasal and sinus allergies. But why are these problems becoming so prevalent? WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask explains that Duke researchers are capturing wild rats for clues.

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JAMA MRSA

A hospital is the last place you'd expect to get a serious bloodstream infection. But in the past, a hospital's sickest patients, those in intensive care units were among those most at-risk of it. WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask reports that researchers found efforts to reduce that risk may be working.

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CPR Kit

When a person suffers a cardiac arrest, they're unconscious and their heart stops pumping blood. If someone nearby doesn't give them CPR, they could die within minutes. Dr. Allen Mask talks about an effort to get more people trained in this life-saving technique.

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Cancer Fertility

When a woman is diagnosed with cancer, she faces a lot of decisions in a short time. Decisions about surgery, chemotherapy and radiation that may put an end to child bearing. Dr. Allen Mask shares more on a local effort to deal with those concerns.

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Prostate Cancer

When a patient is diagnosed with prostate cancer, it's important for doctors to know how advanced, and how aggressive the disease is. Current methods of diagnosis aren't always reliable. As WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask reports that new research may help doctors get better at diagnosing and treating prostate cancer.

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AIDS Vaccine

A possible major step forward in developing a vaccine for AIDS. Duke scientists isolated an important antibody in human serum that may play a key role. Dr. Allen Mask talks about how important this antibody may be in this report.

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JAMA Diabetes Depression

Depression is all too common of a problem among women. However, newly diagnosed depression is higher during the last two trimesters of pregnancy and the year following. As WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask explains that diabetes may also make women more prone to the condition.

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Broken Heart

Heart attacks are common. With quick treatment, your chances of survival are good. But one Alamance County man had more than a common heart attack. And Dr. Allen Mask shares with us how he beat incredible odds.

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Autism Study

One out of every 150 children - mostly boys - will be diagnosed with an autism spectrum disorder. But very little is known about who's at risk or how to treat it. Now UNC researchers have received a large grant to find answers.

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Fear Drug

Researchers in Europe say a pill could help millions of people who suffer from post-traumatic stress or phobias. It's a beta blocker, designed to regulate blood pressure. But as WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask explains, it may also block out bad memories.

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Breast Cancer Options

Breast cancer patients face a daunting choice: mastectomy or lumpectomy. While the lumpectomy is less invasive, it may just lead to another surgery if cancer returns. WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask shows us a new tool that could help doctors get all of the cancer the first time.

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JAMA Heart Attack

Heart disease kills more Americans each year than any other illness. Doctors typically prescribe a combination of medications to heart attack survivors. But WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask reports that the combination may not be a good one.

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Voice Box Transplant

Doctors say there is hope for patients who have been forced to have their larynx removed. They are working on a technique to transplant a donated larynx using stem cells. WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask explains.

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Mom Expecting Quads

When we learned last month of a California woman who gave birth to octuplets, debate followed about fertility treatments. There are health risks for both mom and babies, not to mention the challenges of caring for that many infants at once. Dr. Allen Mask shares more on this story in this report.

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IVF Treatment

In the quest to start a family, many couples go to great lengths and great expense to get pregnant. Dr. Allen Mask is here to tell us how infertility specialists are improving couples' chances of having a healthy baby.

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Radiation

Advances in diagnostic scanning technology help save thousands of lives every year. But a new study suggests the scans may be overused. WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask explains that this has dramatically increased Americans' exposure to dangerous radiation.

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JAMA Flu Strain

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With the flu, symptoms can become severe, and even life threatening. If taken within 48 hours of the first symptoms, some antiviral medications may help lessen the symptoms and duration of the bug. But as WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask explains, one strain of the flu virus has become resistant to a commonly used anti-viral drug.

2:00 03/11/2009 5:30PM

Flat Belly Diet

Do a google search on diets and along with some good advice, you will also see a lot of diet gimmicks. One of the most luring promises is a diet that delivers a flat belly with "no crunches required". Dr. Allen Mask has more in this report.

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Ankle Injury

There are about three-hundred thousand ankle sprains every day in this country. For some people, repeated ankle injuries can lead to arthritis later in life.

2:00 03/13/2009 5:30PM

Colorectal Cancer

Everyone is at risk of colorectal cancer. That's why doctors recommend that most people should start colon cancer screening by age 50. But as WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask explains, a family history of colon cancer means many people should think about it much earlier.

2:00 03/16/2009 5:30PM

Salt Study

High blood pressure is a major risk factor for developing heart disease and too much salt in the diet is a big reason why many people have high blood pressure. As WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask explains, a new study shows cutting back on salt - just a little bit, can put huge dent in heart disease.

2:00 03/17/2009 5:30PM

Religion & Cancer

As patients with terminal cancer near the end of life, many factors can affect the treatment they choose. Insurance coverage plays a role as well as what their doctor recommends. But WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask explains, religion may have an important role as well.

2:00 03/18/2009 5:30PM

Medical Home

There just aren't as many primary care physicians to help a growing number of patients. So getting personalized health care is more difficult - and those with chronic diseases are most at-risk. But Dr. Allen Mask talks about a possible solution to the problem.

2:00 03/23/2009 5:30PM

Prostate Cancer

More than one-hundred and eighty-six thousand men in this country will be diagnosed with prostate cancer this year. Of those nearly twenty-nine thousand will die. Doctors preach the importance of early detection through screening. However, new research shows treatments that follow, may do more harm than good. WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask explains the difficult decisions many men face.

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JAMA Chronic Pain

Chronic pain can last for weeks, months or even years. It's associated with disability, physical impairment, depression and higher health costs. WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask explains, a new study in

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the Journal of the American Medical Association found a more effective way of caring for these patients.

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Budget Diet

Finding a balance between nutrition can be tough, even at home. As people cut back on spending, healthy food choices are often sacrificed for cheaper and less nutritious meals. WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask offers ideas for making healthy eating fit your budget.

HERE TO HELP/ECONOMY

(WRAL's **Here to Help** yearlong campaign reports stories that connect people to resources that can help them through tough economic times.)

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Filing For Unemployment

As part of our Here to Help effort, we walk viewers through the process of filing for unemployment.

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Paying Off Debt

Here to Help segment explaining the best way to pay down debt.

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Career Assessment

Part of our Here to Help segments. We went to a career assessment class and spoke with an instructor who gave advice on how to find your perfect career.

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Cobra

As part of our Here to Help effort, we explain Cobra Insurance; including its high cost and what to consider before you sign up.

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Make Your Resume Talk

As part of our Here to Help effort, we talked to a resume expert who offers advice on how to make your resume stand out.

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Bankrupt Businesses

More and more businesses are going bankrupt. We did a story talking about what rights consumers have when this happens. Unfortunately, consumers don't have many rights to protect themselves.

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VITA Program

This is a tax program that offers free preparation for anyone making \$40,000 per year or less. It's a great program that helps a lot of people.

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Career Class

Assessment using any number of computer programs to find out what career paths may work for you. Many of these are free and available to anyone online. This is part of our Here to Help effort.

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Foreclosure Scams

Some companies are preying on people who are in danger of foreclosure. After dealing with these companies, people are in worse shape than they were before. We gave a warning in this report with full details.

3:00 02/24/2009 5PM

Interviewing Skills

We spoke to an expert in job interviewing who has advice on how to do your best in an interview. This is part of our on-going Here to Help effort.

Cut-ins (daylong) 03/06/2009 ALL newscasts

Attorneys On Call

This was a daylong event coordinated with the North Carolina Bar Association. Viewers could call in from 7AM - 7PM for free legal guidance. We had live shots in all of our newscasts.

2:00 03/19/2009 6PM

New Grads And The Economy

Its one of the proudest days for college students and their families. Graduates walk across the stage and onto their career paths. The next round is just two months away and for those grads the next step may not be so clear.

3:00 03/25/2009 5PM

Furloughs

As part of our Here to Help efforts, this story explains furloughs and the rules employers have to follow when they impose them.

2:30 03/30/2009 5PM

Job Fair Preparation

This story gives helpful advice about how to make yourself standout at a job fair.

POLITICAL

30:00 01/04/2009 10:30AM

Face the Nation

Topics include: the Israeli-Hamas conflict: the land invasion of Gaza by Israel / the position of the United States regarding a cease-fire; the legacy of the President George W. Bush's administration; a look back on the Iraq War: current state of Iraq / the reaction of Saddam Hussein to the news of the impending invasion by the United States / critique of the original strategy with regards to troop levels and military intelligence, specifically false information regarding weapons of mass destruction; the Bush administration's program to monitor America's international phone calls without a warrant / reaction to Senator Jay Rockefeller's (D-WV) claim that he expressed concerns over the program with regards to civil liberties / support for the program and belief that the intelligence provided has protected America from another terrorist attack / how different actions need to be taken in wartime as opposed to peacetime in order to support and defend the Constitution; assertion that waterboarding is not torture / support for the methods of interrogation used by the CIA and a recommendation that President-elect Barack Obama continue those methods / justification for Guantanamo Bay to remain open.

2:00 01/04/2009 5PM

Director Of State Probation System

The Director of the State's Probation System is speaking out about news he's leaving his post. A spokesperson for Governor-elect Bev Perdue said Robert Guy wouldn't continue to serve.

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Economic Forecast

Governor-elect Bev Perdue also says a state stimulus program worth about \$700 million dollars could create an additional twenty-three thousand construction jobs.

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Easley Council Of State

Easley said speeding up the start of more than \$700 million in government building projects will also speed the creation of more than 25,000 new jobs. The outgoing governor led support of the idea and most everyone agreed, but not all. Two of the three Republicans on the council which include Auditor Les Merritt and Labor Commissioner Cherie Berry peppered the members with questions as long as they could.

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01/07/2009

6PM

DHHS Appointment

Many patient advocates believe Cansler is the right person to lead Health and Human Services, saying his experience and background is exactly what the department needs right now.

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01/09/2009

11PM

Perdue Ball

The 2009 Inaugural Ball is celebrating History. Governor Elect Bev Perdue is the State's first female Chief Executive.

2 hours

01/10/2009

10AM

Governor's Inauguration

Live coverage of the inauguration of North Carolina's first female governor, Bev Perdue. Full coverage of the entire event, including swearing in of Council of State.

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01/10/2009

6PM

Inauguration Reception

It's not everyday anyone can just walk in off the street to the executive mansion and shake the governor's hand. Today, thousands took advantage of the opportunity to meet and greet NC's first female governor.

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01/11/2009

10:30AM

Face the Nation

1) Topics include: scandal involving the appointment of Roland Burris by Governor Rod Blagojevich to fill President-elect Barack Obama's vacant Senate seat and whether or not the Senate will allow him to be seated / questions regarding the legality of the appointment process for Mr. Burris; President-elect Obama's proposed stimulus package / opinion in the Senate regarding Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi's view that President George W. Bush's tax cuts must be repealed / changing the tax codes to favor working families.

2) Topics include: statement by the Illinois Supreme Court regarding Roland Burris' appointment to the Senate as legal / assertion that the Senate should seat him and his desire to avoid creating any type of scene / questions regarding Governor Blagojevich's scandal and whether or not that should affect the public's perception of his appointment to the Senate / the motives behind Governor Blagojevich's selection / plans, if any, to travel to Washington, DC to pursue taking his seat.

3) Topics include: support for not raising taxes during this time of great economic uncertainty / Speaker Pelosi's desire to finalize the stimulus package before February recess / concerns in the House of Representatives and the Senate regarding the proposed stimulus package / the need to

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allow American families and small business keep more of what they earn / opposition to releasing the remaining emergency funds allotted in the economic rescue package.

2:00 01/12/2009 6PM

DOT Reform

With an office full of unpacked boxes, Governor Perdue promised to think outside the box. She started by signing an executive order reforming the Board of Transportation.

2:00 01/12/2009 6AM

Gov. Perdue First Day

Governor Bev Perdue's Monday will focus on her 10 member Cabinet. She'll watch as they swear to work hard for North Carolinians. But the Tar Heel's first female governor begins her first day on the job which is being called the "First Day of Change". She is signing several executive orders to take the politics and campaign money influence out of government and put efficiency and transparency in.

2:00 01/18/2009 6PM

Perdue In DC

As Governor Perdue put it, she was here hat in hand asking for financial assistance. After meeting with North Carolina's House delegation, Perdue indicated the reception was mixed.

30:00 01/18/2009 10:30AM

Face the Nation

1) Topics include: President-elect Barack Obama's proposed \$825 billion economic recovery package / desire to see it approved within a month / includes provisions that will go into effect immediately, but is just one phase of his program; disagreement over the Bush tax cuts for upper income Americans - allow them to expire or repeal immediately; the current state of the American economy / belief that the unemployment rate will not reach ten percent; recent decision by Congress to release the remaining \$350 billion in emergency funds to banks and financial institutions / focus of this distribution will not be on the needs of banks, but on the needs of the economy for credit / promise of full transparency and accountability this time around / President-elect Obama's belief that the funds must serve the interest of the country and not of the banks or their executives; problems facing the Big Three automakers and the need to restructure the industry.

2) Topics include: President-elect Obama's inaugural address / Mr. Dyson's piece in The Washington Post suggesting that his roots, oratorically and rhetorically, are in the black church / what the speech must accomplish / need for a call of unity for the American people / how President-elect Obama's background as a community organizer will come into play during his presidency / the significance of this event, not only for African-Americans, but for the nation / how the past struggles of slavery, through the Civil Rights movement have made President-elect Obama and this moment possible / incredible spirit and anticipation regarding this inauguration.

60:00 01/20/2009 9:30-1:10PM & 1:35-5PM

CBS NEWS SPECIAL: "Change And Challenge: The Inauguration Of Barack Obama" - a

broadcast that includes (1) a review and taped excerpts of the events surrounding today's inauguration of Barack Obama as President of the United States; (2) an interview by Katie Couric with then-President-Elect Obama on a wide range of topics, recorded last week for this broadcast; (3) interviews with several Americans (Avery Jordan, a ten-year-old from Oklahoma; Maura Sullivan, a former Marine Corps Captain; and Edith Childs, a councilwoman from Greenwood, South Carolina) about their own feelings about the impact of Obama's election; (4) interviews with relatives of slain civil rights leader Medgar Evers, including his widow Myrlie and his great-nieces Courtney and Corrie Cockrell; (5) an interview with Marty Nesbit, a close friend of President Obama; (6) the contrast between today's events and the racial attitudes in America's

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past, including comments by Theodore Landsmark, victim of an attack by anti-busing protesters in Boston in 1976, and Elizabeth Eckford who, as a 15-year-old in 1957, was part of the attempt to integrate Little Rock Central High School.

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01/22/2009

5PM

Gov. Perdue Fundraiser

North Carolina's new governor attended a fundraiser tonight that has some people raising questions. The Democratic party hosted what it called a birthday fundraiser for Bev Perdue. A Democratic spokesman says the fundraiser is for the party, not Perdue. Governor Perdue spoke with WRAL about the concerns as she arrived for tonight's event.

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01/25/2009

10:30AM

Face the Nation

Topics include: Vice President Joe Biden's concept of the vice presidency, as President Barack Obama's confidant versus a deputy president; the worsening state of the American economy / President Obama's proposed economic stimulus package and what it entails / hopes for bipartisan support / the release of the second \$350 billion and the promise of transparency and accountability by the Obama Administration / speculation as to whether or not additional funds will need to be allocated to financial institutions; President Obama's decision to close Guantanamo Bay / concern over the release of enemy combatants back into society and assurance that of those released, only United States citizens or legal residents will be allowed to return to the United States; last week's attack across the Pakistani border against an al Qaeda force by an assumed American drone, which continued the former Bush Administration's practice of granting permission to its forces to fire into Pakistan from Afghanistan / recent trip to Pakistan, Afghanistan, and Iraq: progress made in Pakistan in helping to train their counterinsurgency capability / the role of the Taliban and current conditions in Afghanistan / American public should expect more casualties as plans to further engage the enemy are implemented / need for a political reconciliation in Iraq and for the Iraqis to decide between a federal system or a strong central government; how his new position of vice president impacts his tendency to be outspoken and candid.

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01/27/2009

6PM

DPI Leadership Report

Governor Perdue says State Superintendent June Atkinson will remain the state's education ambassador. In addition, Atkinson will lead a blue ribbon task force on career development and workforce issues.

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01/28/2009

6PM

Budget

State agencies already started looking for ways to cut up to 7 percent of their spending. Some proposals include cutting local aid to counties. The Department of Correction could eliminate more than two hundred jobs and close down five minimum security prisons including Umstead in Butner. The DOT might chop fifty-five million dollars from road maintenance and resurfacing. With recent focus on neglect and abuse at state mental hospitals, disability advocates worry about cuts in community services.

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01/31/2009

5PM

Gov. Scott Funeral

The state said goodbye to some powerful and memorable people this week. Kay Yow coached 1,000 games for NC State. We'll remember her and her fight against breast cancer. We also bid farewell to the man who served as governor from 1969 through 1974, Mr. Robert Scott.

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Face the Nation

1) Topics include: revelation regarding former Senator Tom Daschle's (D-SD) unpaid taxes and its possible affect on his confirmation as Secretary of Health and Human Services; the economic stimulus package / its chances of passing in the Senate / recommended changes to the bill, focusing on the housing crisis and tax relief; nomination of Senator Judd Gregg (R-NH) as Secretary of Commerce / impact on balance of power in the Senate.

2) Topics include: opinion regarding the status of former Senator Tom Daschle's nomination due to the divulgence of his unpaid taxes / reaction to Senator McConnell's concerns regarding the economic stimulus package / support and breakdown of the stimulus bill, focusing on the housing problem and an increase for infrastructure spending / view concerning republican support of the bill / the question of tax cuts.

3) Topics include: changes needed in order for the stimulus bill to pass the Senate / need to focus on addressing the housing problem and tax cuts for the lower and middle class; prospects for Tom Daschle's confirmation.

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02/01/2009

7:00PM

CBS REPORTS: "The Road to the White House" - a retrospective chronological review of Barack Obama's road to the presidency, incorporating never-before-seen footage along with video excerpts of previously aired 60 MINUTES segments, and unified with an original audio narrative by correspondent Steve Kroft, who was also the correspondent for all excerpted segments. Included are: (1) **"The Road to the White House"** (First Steps) - a look back at why 60 MINUTES chose to profile Barack Obama, a then-rising political phenomenon, who planned to announce his candidacy for the presidency on 02/10/07 (P: L. Franklin Devine, Michael Radutzky, Tom Anderson). (2) **"The Road to the White House"** (The Primaries) - after an enthusiastic beginning, Obama's campaign hit a wall, and on the eve of the primaries, he trailed Hillary Clinton by nearly 20 points. He learned to be a great candidate, and in Iowa, his organization outmaneuvered the Clinton campaign and achieved victory, shattering Senator Clinton's aura of inevitability. (P: L. Franklin Devine, Jennifer MacDonald). (3) **"The Road to the White House"** (Victory) - Obama went to the Democratic convention assured of the nomination and made history as the first African-American presidential nominee of a major political party. In the campaign, he was locked in a dead-heat with Republican rival John McCain, and eventually achieved an historic victory on election night, appearing that night to a cheering crowd in Chicago's Grant Park (no producers listed). (4) **"The Road to the White House"** (Looking Ahead) - after Obama's victory, he remained out of sight, getting briefings and conferring with his transition team. His first post-election interview was conducted by Steve Kroft, 12 days after the election, and included his wife, Michelle Obama.

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02/02/2009

6PM

Jim Long Dies

True to his name, Jim Long served North Carolina a long time. He followed his father and grandfather to the State House of Representatives. But it was in 1985 that he took the job that best suited his personality and talents.

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02/05/2009

6PM

Jim Long Funeral

Jim Long is known for wearing red ties and keeping insurance rates among the lowest in the country. This day was about sharing insight into what people did not know about the longtime Insurance Commissioner. Everyone spoke of his sense of humor. Governor Perdue told a story of Jim Long barging into her office shortly after this past election.

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Governor's Conference In VA

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On the heels of briefing North Carolina lawmakers on the bad news, Governor Bev Perdue is bound for Virginia to bond with other Democratic governors from around the country also bracing for a tough year.

2:00 02/10/2009 6PM

Republican Probation

Faced with a probation system that is struggling to keep track of offenders, state Republicans offered up new ideas for monitoring people on probation.

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Face the Nation

1) Topics include: passing of President Barack Obama's economic stimulus package by both the House and Senate / when and how America will begin to see the effects of this legislation / hope that this stimulus plan will curb the rising unemployment rate / President Obama's commitment to continue to reach out to Republicans / provision in the stimulus package putting a cap on wages and bonuses for the executives of big financial institutions receiving financial bailouts / President Obama's desire to strike the right balance concerning the regulation of salaries and bonuses; Senator Judd Gregg's (R-NH) decision not to accept the nomination for Secretary of Commerce.

2) Topics include: support for the provision limiting executive compensation; reaction to the criticism of Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner's presentation on how to use the remaining TARP money as being too broad / implications of allowing insolvent banks to fail / belief that the \$50 billion mentioned by Treasury Secretary Geithner for foreclosure relief will be insufficient.

2:00 02/17/2009 6AM

Stimulus Money For NC

Governor Bev Perdue hopes the new stimulus package will put people back to work in North Carolina.

2:00 02/19/2009 5PM

Juvenile Justice

Last year more than twenty-two thousand juveniles came through the court system in North Carolina-by law, a juvenile is defined as someone age 15 or younger and now there's a push to include 16 and 17-year-olds in the juvenile system.

2:00 02/20/2009 5PM

Pat McCrory On Stimulus

Charlotte Mayor Pat McCrory also attended the mayor's conference at the White House. The former Republican candidate for governor says he had doubts about the plan before it was passed. McCrory also expressed concern about projects considered "shovel ready."

30:00 02/22/2009 10:30AM

Face the Nation

1) Topics include: support for President Barack Obama's recently announced housing bailout plan / explanation of the three phases of the plan: money to help keep mortgage rates low, refinancing opportunities for homeowners current on their mortgages but at risk due to declining housing values in their neighborhoods, and a modification plan for those homeowners at risk of foreclosure / estimation as to how many foreclosures can be forestalled with this plan.

2) Topics include: current economic conditions and crises being faced in New Jersey, Indiana, and Ohio / support for accepting the stimulus cash as outlined in President Obama's economic recovery plan and how each state will use those resources / reaction to the decision made by a few Republican governors not to accept any of the stimulus cash.

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Gov. Meets With President

Governor Perdue is wrapping up a weekend of meetings with dozens of the country's governors. Then she heads to the White House this morning to meet with the President. The focus for all of them the same – a look at whether stimulus money can even begin to keep governors from slashing their state budgets

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02/24/2009

6PM

Road Stimulus

North Carolina will soon land its first chunk of the new federal stimulus money. Governor Beverly Perdue landed at the Global Transpark in Kinston to tell us where its headed.

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8:00PM

CBS NEWS SPECIAL REPORT: "A Presidential Address To Congress" - live coverage of President Barack Obama's first address to a joint session of Congress since he took office. Includes: (1) President Obama's address; (2) The Republican response by Gov. Bobby Jindal (R-LA); and (3) Commentary by CBS News personnel, including results of a CBS News / Knowledge Networks poll of 500 Americans who watched the President's address and then responded to poll questions online.

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02/24/2009

6AM

Economic Forecast

Less than 24 hours after she finished a meeting with the President at the White House, Governor Bev Perdue will take to the clouds. She'll tour 3 road projects -- some of the first to get their shovel's dirty with federal stimulus dollars.

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02/28/2009

5PM

DOT Money

Governor Bev Perdue also made the trip to Jacksonville to meet with President Obama. Her mission was not about the Iraq War, but pushing for more federal aid for North Carolina.

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Face the Nation

Topics include: whether or not President Barack Obama is going to approve the spending bill, which contains 9,000 earmarks -- something he campaigned against; reaction to Newt Gingrich's characterization of President Obama's budget as an effort to remake America into a more left-wing country with a bigger government / support and breakdown of the budget / President Obama's continued commitment to bipartisanship; Rush Limbaugh as the voice, intellectual force, and energy behind the Republican Party; current state of General Motors / response to GM's request for an additional \$16 billion from the government; President Obama's announcement regarding troop withdrawal in Iraq / plan to leave 50,000 troops in Iraq in support roles; President Obama's April deadline for passing the budget; increased violence along the Mexican border between competing drug cartels.

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03/02/2009

6PM

State Lottery And State Budget

When the lottery passed in 2005, then Lt. Governor Bev Perdue cast the deciding vote. Now, as governor she's looking to the games to help her balance the state budget.

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03/06/2009

5:30PM

June Atkinson Fight

Superintendent of Public Instruction, June Atkinson threatened to sue the state to get clarity about her job. Atkinson is really an ambassador for \$124,000 dollars a year. Governor Bev

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Perdue chose Harrison, to report directly to the governor's office, for \$265,000 dollars a year. The question remains: who is in charge?

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6PM

Harrison Atkinson

Some taxpayers are outraged. You have Harrison who's making over \$200,000 and Atkinson who's making over \$100,000 and now one of them doesn't even know who's the boss? Last night, the governor's office basically said bring it on. Perdue appointed Harrison CEO to provide the best education for children of the state. If lawmakers want to take up this issue, they're welcome.

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03/08/2009

10:30AM

Face the Nation

1) Topics include: President Barack Obama's proposal to fund the expansion of health care by reducing the deduction that upper-income taxpayers receive when donating to charities; belief that the current Recovery Act must be given time to work before there is talk of another stimulus package; reaction to Senator Lindsey Graham's (R-SC) portrayal of President Obama's budget as a "reckless exercise" / current Republican budgetary proposals / spending bill currently before Congress, which Republicans have blocked / opposition to Representative John Boehner's proposed spending freeze.

2) Topics include: clarification regarding his suggested spending freeze / Republican proposals to stimulate the economy and fix the housing crisis / objections regarding President Obama's budget; criticism of the White House for encouraging the idea that Rush Limbaugh is the leader of the Republican Party; assertion that the reason the stock market is performing so poorly is that Wall Street does not support President Obama's policies; opposition to another infusion of federal money to General Motors.

3) Topics include: theory that the White House is designating Rush Limbaugh as the head of the Republican Party in order to bring back the Fairness Doctrine; Democratic opposition to President Obama's proposal to reduce the deduction that upper-income taxpayers receive when donating to charities; recent poll results indicating support and patience for President Obama.

38:00

03/09/2009

7PM

State Of The State

Despite facing the most challenging financial crisis in decades, Governor Bev Perdue filled her State of the State Address with optimism. She addressed the first steps in rebuilding the state's economy.

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03/13/2009

5PM

Probation

The probation system has been under scrutiny since the murders of university students Eve Carson and Abhijit Mahato. The suspects were on probation at the time of the murders. But, records show probation officers did not keep in contact with them. Governor Perdue is to expected announce changes she says will strengthen the probation and parole system.

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Face the Nation

1) Topics include: reaction to the news that AIG -- the huge insurance company that received \$170 billion in taxpayer bailouts -- has decided to pay \$165 million in bonuses to executives / the difficulty in monitoring government bailout money with regards to the banking industry / preview of President Barack Obama's plan for small businesses / administration's view on how to best handle so-called toxic assets; response to the recent statement made by the president of China, expressing concern for the safety of China's investment in the United States / support for

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Treasury Bills as the asset of choice; assurance that President Obama has no intention of taxing health care benefits.

2) Topics include: the government's inability to control the situation at AIG and belief that this crisis could impact the morale of the people of United States / resolving the growing problem of toxic assets / anger over how the bailout money has been spent / waiting for the geopolitical fallout from the economic crisis / emergence of Pakistan and North Korea as the world's two most dangerous governments.

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Budget Plan

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Gov. Budget

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UNC Budget Cuts

The UNC System Board of Governors met to consider the economic hardships outside that bubble. 63 year old President Erskine Bowles called it the toughest climate of his life.

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03/20/2009

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Wilson Stimulus Contractor

Last month the governor announced the first round of federal stimulus money would fund seventy road and bridge projects. The state estimates every one million dollars spent will create about thirty jobs.

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Face the Nation

1) Topics include: the recently passed 90% tax on bonuses paid by American International Group, Inc. (AIG) to their executives / outrage expressed by Americans beyond the Beltway -- unable to understand why AIG, a recipient of federal bailout money, awarded bonuses / opposition to retention bonuses; rating Treasury Secretary Tim Geithner's performance; speculation concerning President Barack Obama's proposed toxic asset clean-up plan.

2) Topics include: the White House reaction to the tax on AIG / President Obama's understanding of how people beyond the Beltway view these bonuses; basic outline of the toxic asset bailout plan; recent report from the Congressional Budget Office (CBO) describing the deficit as significantly larger than the White House's estimate, as well as a more pessimistic outlook on the U.S. economy.

3) Topics include: lack of confidence in Treasury Secretary Geithner; the CBO's report on the deficit and how this will impact President Obama's budget and health care bill / possibility of a proposal for a majority rule with regards to the health care bill, taking away the Republican's filibuster power; reaction to the many and varied recent public appearances by President Obama and a judgement on their effectiveness.

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Sin Taxes

Just like this convenience store needs money to make ends meet so does the state budget. But, the Governor doesn't want it to come directly from your paycheck.

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Furloughs

UNC System President Erskine Bowles told a legislative committee today he can save 8 million dollars a day with forced unpaid time off for employees. Many lawmakers want the money saving option. Governor Bev Perdue left furloughs out of her budget. Treasurer Janet Cowell warns furloughs could hurt the state's bond rating if they're combined with other quick financial fixes.

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Homeschool Law Supporters

North Carolinians for Home Education is sponsoring the event. They're trying to put a face on home school education. But a recent high profile divorce case may also spark some controversy around the event.

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03/29/2009

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Face the Nation

Topics include: new strategy in Afghanistan, calling for 22,000 more troops and an increase in spending by 60% / the need to refocus attention on al Qaeda and to ensure that neither Afghanistan or Pakistan can serve as a safe haven / troubling situation in Pakistan / the obligation to work with Pakistan and Afghanistan on both a military level and on a diplomatic level, as well as through aid assistance and development / importance of adjusting strategy with regards to circumstances; confidence regarding current plan for troop withdrawal from Iraq; current situation in Mexico / recently introduced initiative to assist the border regions that are being threatened by drug cartels; incomplete efforts made by the U.S. auto industry to formulate a new business plan; clarification regarding the middle class tax cut not being in the proposed budget, but for two years in the stimulus package / desire to continue tax cuts and make them permanent; explanation of his position on the Wall Street bonuses, the bill passed to recoup bonus money through taxation, and his statement about not legislating out of anger; his outlook on the presidency.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS

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01/03/2009

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48 HOURS MYSTERY: "Betrayal" - an update of a report on the September 3, 2006 disappearance of Nina Reiser, a Russian doctor who had married Hans Reiser, an American computer whiz. The couple had two children, but their marriage began to fall apart and Nina began an affair with Sean Sturgeon, Hans' best friend. Embroiled in a nasty custody fight, Nina dropped off the children at Hans' house on Labor Day weekend and then mysteriously vanished. Her body had never been found. After investigation, Hans was arraigned on murder charges five weeks after Nina's disappearance, and one year later, went on trial for her murder. After three days of deliberation, the jury found him guilty of first degree murder and he was sentenced to 25 years to life. **Update for this rebroadcast:** In the summer of 2008, Hans Reiser offered to lead police to Nina's body in exchange for a reduced verdict and reduced time in prison. The police agreed; Hans led them to her remains, which he had buried just half a mile from his house. As part of the deal, Hans was required to provide a detailed confession of how he murdered Nina, and his voice is heard describing how he strangled her. One month later, the verdict against Hans was lowered to murder in the second degree, and sentenced him to 15 years to life. Graphic updates: Nina Reiser was buried in St. Petersburg, Russia. Her children will remain in Russia with Nina's mother. Hans Reiser will be eligible for parole in 2021. He will be 58 years old.

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On this show we gaze into our collective crystal balls and tell you what to expect in this year. Last week we said the economy was the number one issue of 2008. In this show our panel predicts what will be the biggest issue of this year.

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60 MINUTES

"Is It Murder?" - a report on prosecutors who are pursuing harsher penalties, including murder convictions and long prison terms, for drunk drivers whose actions result in fatalities. Discussed is the case of seven-year old Katie Flynn, killed by drunk driver Martin Heidgen. Those interviewed are: Kathleen Rice, district attorney of Nassau County, New York; Jennifer and Neil Flynn, Katie Flynn's parents; Chris and Denise Tangney, Katie Flynn's grandparents; Steven Lamagna, Martin Heidgen's attorney.

"Mind Reading" - a report on the advancements in neuroscience with regards to monitoring brain activity linked to certain thoughts, making it now possible, on a very basic scale, to read a person's mind. Also discussed is how this technology can be used to help solve crimes and for marketing purposes. Those interviewed are: neuroscientist Marcel Just and his colleague Tom Mitchell from Carnegie-Mellon University; 60 MINUTES associate producer Meghan Frank, who took part in a brain scan demonstration; neuroscientist John Dylan Haynes from the Bernstein Center in Berlin; Paul Root Wolpe, Director of the Center for Ethics at Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia; neuroscientist Gemma Calvert, co-founder of the London company Neurosense.

"The Mad Scientist of Football" - an interview with Texas Tech football coach Mike Leach, who made up for a lack of money and top talent by creating an innovative offense that's changing the game of college football and beating bigger schools which regularly attract the best talent in the nation. Others interviewed were: writer Michael Lewis, author of "Moneyball," a book about how disadvantaged teams succeed in elite sports; Texas Tech quarterback Graham Harrell and wide receiver Michael Crabtree.

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01/10/2009

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Headline Saturday

A half hour discussion regarding North Carolina's first female governor. Guests included, state historian and chair of political science department at North Carolina State University.

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48 HOURS SPECIAL PRESENTATION: "Stolen Beauty" - a report on the October 2005 disappearance of Tara Grinstead, an 11th grade history teacher and beauty pageant queen from Ocilla, Georgia -- and a similar case three months later, in January 2006, involving Jennifer Kesse, a financial analyst from Orlando, Florida, who disappeared after she returned home from a vacation in St. Croix with her boyfriend. This account includes background details, surrounding circumstances, and the consideration of a possible link between the two cases, as well as information regarding the ongoing investigation by the Georgia Bureau of Investigation and the Orlando Police Department. Among those interviewed are: Connie Grinstead, Tara's stepmother; Gary Rothwell, special agent with the Georgia Bureau of Investigation; Rob Allen, Jennifer's boyfriend; several members of Jennifer's family; Sergeant Roger Brennan and Detective Joel Wright of the Orlando Police Department.

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01/11/2009

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NC Spin

This week our panel discusses whether or not to scrap vehicle inspections, whether or not we should have speech codes on our campuses, and we'll talk about the road war going on between Charlotte and Fayetteville. Also, we ask whether the Perdue administration is a changing of the guard or merely changing coaches.

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"The Price of Oil" - a report on how the historic swings in oil prices last year were the result of financial speculation from Wall Street investment banks and not supply and demand. The role of Enron in the deregulation of the oil futures market is also discussed. Interviewed are: Dan Gilligan, president of the Petroleum Marketers Association; Sean Cota, member of the Petroleum Marketers Association, who is in the home heating oil business; Michael Masters, hedge fund manager; Michael Greenberger, former director of trading for the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

"The Chairman" - an interview/profile of Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Admiral Mike Mullen, who talks about how he will be advising President-elect Barack Obama on U.S. troop withdrawal from Iraq and deploying more troops to Afghanistan. Includes footage of Mullen touring battlefields in Iraq, Afghanistan, and Pakistan.

"Wyclef" - an interview/profile of musician Wyclef Jean, who is using his talent and wealth to help the people in his native Haiti. Born into poverty in Haiti, he emigrated to the U.S. and became a multi-millionaire rock star. He is seen visiting Haiti and talking about Yele Haiti, the charity he created to help the people in Haiti.

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01/17/2009

10:00PM

48 HOURS MYSTERY: "Peace, Love And Murder" - A report on the murder of housewife Toni Heartsong, killed in her Jupiter, Florida home on September 26, 2000. That day, police received a phone call from her husband Bob Heartsong saying that he had come home from work to discover her dead body, brutally bludgeoned and stabbed. For various reasons, Bob was initially eliminated as a possible suspect, but in 2006, new DNA technology revealed the presence of his blood under Toni's thumbnail and his DNA on her hand. He was arrested, and in 2008 he was tried for her murder. The blood evidence presented by the prosecution was deemed inconclusive, and the jury rendered a verdict of not guilty. Among those interviewed are: Barry Soren, Toni's brother; her cousins Mel and Sandra Sorkowitz, Deb Schepp, Elissa LeJeune; Toni's sons Eli and Jake Heartsong; Florida State investigator Tim Valentine; Steve Kochakian, a former employee of Bob Heartsong; Suzye Goldstein, Bob Heartsong's new wife; Palm Beach County police John Van Houten, Bill Springer; prosecutor Barbara Burns; defense attorney Barry Maxwell; jury foreman Tony Alberto.

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01/18/2009

6:30AM

NC Spin

On this show we will ask our panel to discuss whether or not the outgoing Council of State should have approved \$700 million in construction projects, about whether or not we should abolish or modify auto inspections, and who should be able to set school calendars. We also review Governor Perdue's inaugural address.

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01/24/2009

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Headline Saturday

A half hour discussion regarding North Carolina's economic struggles current recession. Guests included CEO of Capital Bank and an economist from Duke University.

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48 HOURS MYSTERY: "Lady In The Harbor" - A report on the September 2006 murder of aspiring actress Barbara Mullenix, whose body was discovered in the water at the Newport Harbor Yacht Club in California. She had been stabbed fifty-two times. An initial suspect was her ex-husband, Bruce Mullenix. Despite their divorce, Bruce had agreed to let Barbara and their 17-year-old daughter Rachael move into his small Huntington Beach apartment, a situation that worsened when Barbara would drink and become verbally abusive. But Bruce was soon ruled out as a suspect because he had been out of town on a business trip. Investigators' attention then turned to Rachael and her 21-year-old boyfriend, Ian Allen, who were nowhere to be found after

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the murder. When they were finally apprehended and questioned, Ian admitted to killing Barbara, and Rachael was also accused of the murder. Both Ian And Rachael were tried separately. Each was found guilty of first degree murder, and each was sentenced to 25 years to life.

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01/25/2009

6:30AM

NC Spin

One this show we ask our panel to give you their spin on substance abuse programs needing detox, on a strange exit interview by outgoing DOT Secretary Lyndo Tippet, and on a new permit to mine wetlands, but we also talk about the latest developments on North Carolina's budget crisis.

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7:00PM

60 MINUTES

"The Winter of Our Hardship" - a report on the impact of the economic crisis on Wilmington, Ohio, whose residents have been hit particularly hard because the town's largest employer, DHL, is shutting its domestic operation. Many of the residents are losing their homes and health insurance. Interviewed are DHL employees who have been laid off or had their hours reduced: Mike O'Machearley, Keith Rider, Morris Deufemia, John and Angela Pica, Bruce McKee, Geri Lynn Thomas, Diana Smith, Dorothy Faulconer. Also interviewed are: David Raizk, Mayor of Wilmington City; Senator Sherrod Brown; Allen Willoughby, worker at the Sugar Tree Ministry's soup kitchen.

"No Peace Deal" - a report from Israel and the West Bank, where the ongoing conflict in Gaza has prompted a growing number of Israelis and Palestinians to say that a two-state solution is no longer possible and that history has passed it by. Interviewed: Daniella Weiss, Mayor of a large settlement in the West Bank; Doctor Mustafa Barghouti, candidate for Palestinian President; Abdul Nassif, Palestinian resident whose apartment has been occupied by armed Israeli soldiers; Meron Benvenisti, former Deputy Mayor of Jerusalem; Tzipi Livni, Israeli Foreign Minister who is also Israel's chief negotiator with the Palestinians.

"Wine Rx" - a report about resveratrol, a substance in red wine that scientists believe might do more than just protect the heart. They think it could, in very high concentrations, significantly extend life by preventing a number of age-related illnesses. If they are right, we all may soon be taking a pill that could give us an extra decade or two of healthy old age. Interviewed: Dr. Christoph Westphal and biochemist David Sinclair who founded Sirtris, a Cambridge, Massachusetts research company; Dr. Richard Weindruch, who heads up the study of the calorie intake of rhesus monkeys at the National Institutes of Health Study at the University of Wisconsin; Ricki Colman, project leader of the aforementioned study.

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01/31/2009

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Headline Saturday

A half hour discussion regarding enrollment of undocumented students at North Carolina Community Colleges. Guests included president of the Community College system and spokesperson for Americans for Prosperity.

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48 HOURS MYSTERY: "Conspiracy To Kill" - A report on the suspiciously similar circumstances surrounding the deaths, 19 years apart, of the two husbands of Sonia Rios, who herself was later murdered. Rios, a native of the Philippines, first married Earl Bourdeau, a U.S. Marine whom she met in the Philippines. They settled in Lomita, California. After a stormy 21-year marriage, Earl wanted a divorce. But before Sonia would grant him one, she demanded that he go to the Philippines by himself to sell a family taxi business. Earl went, and, in August 1987, while sleeping on the couch in the home of Sonia's relatives, he was shot in the head at point-blank range. In 1990, Sonia then married Navy Commander Larry Risken. By 2006, their

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marriage had deteriorated, and Larry wanted a divorce. Sonia consented, but only if Larry went alone on a long-planned trip to the Philippines to visit two of Sonia's young relatives of whom he was very fond. He made the trip, and in April 2006 Larry was killed in the parking lot of a hospital there. One year later, in April 2007, Sonia herself was shot to death in her Lomita, California home. Both Earl and Larry's families are convinced that Sonia had both of her husbands murdered for their insurance money. But the murders of both men -- and the murder of Sonia Rios -- remain unsolved.

30:00 02/01/2009 6:30AM

NC Spin

This week our show will focus on the General Assembly session which started on Wednesday noon. Last year's short session of the legislature met and even though there were some large issues facing them basically opted not to take any major actions because it was an election year. This year those issues are, if anything, more urgent and on top of it our economy has tanked in the intervening months.

30:00 02/07/2009 7:30PM

Headline Saturday

A half hour discussion regarding the 2009-2010 budget for Wake County. Guests included two members of the County Commission, one Republican and one Democrat representative.

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48 HOURS MYSTERY: "An Invisible Enemy" - a follow-up to "An Invisible Enemy" (OAD: 12/08/07). In January 2007, Cynthia Sommer was convicted of murdering her Marine Sgt. husband Todd in February 2002 with a lethal dose of arsenic. But ten months after her conviction, she was granted a new trial because of questions about the validity of the lab tests that found arsenic in some of Todd Sommer's tissue samples but not in others. His tissue samples were now sent to another lab to be tested for arsenic -- and none was found. Because of this, the prosecution concluded that there was a reasonable doubt; murder charges against Cynthia Sommer were dropped, and the case was dismissed. However, Todd Sommer's death is still officially listed as a homicide, and the court left open the possibility that Cynthia Sommer could be charged again.

30:00 02/08/2009 6:30AM

NC Spin

This week's show is devoted entirely to education as we talk about the new structure for public education, how our universities and community colleges can respond to budget cuts, and grade inflation in our colleges and universities.

60:00 02/08/2009 7:00PM

60 MINUTES

"Saving Flight 1549" - a three-part report on the incredible water landing in the Hudson River on January 15, 2009 of a U.S. Air flight which saved the lives of all 155 people aboard. Part I is an interview with Hero pilot Captain Chesley "Sully" Sullenberger. Part II is an interview with Captain Sullenberger and his crew, and with his wife. Part III consists of coverage of a reunion between the passengers and the crew, as well as additional remarks from Captain Sullenberger and his family.

"Coldplay" - a profile of the British rock group, Coldplay, who provide a rare look inside their world, which includes a candid interview with frontman and singer Chris Martin. Also interviewed: guitarist Jonny Buckland, bass player Guy Berryman and drummer Will Champion.

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Headline Saturday

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A half hour discussion regarding the ability of workers to form unions in North Carolina. Guests included a long-time labor leader and a lobbyist for small businesses in North Carolina.

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48 HOURS: LIVE TO TELL: "The Year We Disappeared" - On August 31, 1979, John Busby, a Falmouth, Massachusetts police officer, was ambushed in his car by a gunman in a passing car who shot him point blank in the face with a shotgun. Although brutally wounded, Busby was able to write a note for police at the scene that said "Not an accident. Mel Reine." Melvin Reine, a convicted arsonist and suspected murderer of three people, was a local thug whose brother, John Reine, had been arrested by John Busby. For undetermined reasons, Melvin Reine had long intimidated the Falmouth police, and the attempted murder of John Busby was not aggressively investigated. Fearing for their safety, the Busby family moved to an undisclosed location in Tennessee. Twenty-four years after the shooting, in 2003, John Reine confessed to the police that his brother Melvin had indeed shot John Busby while he, Melvin, drove the car. However, because of the statute of limitations, the Reines will remain unpunished. Melvin is now institutionalized, in a state of dementia. John Busby and his daughter Cylin have written a memoir together, entitled "The Year We Disappeared".

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02/15/2009

6:30AM

NC Spin

This week we ask our panel to talk about infrastructure, how the federal stimulus package affects North Carolina, about grade inflation in our colleges, and two bills affecting how long legislators serve.

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60 MINUTES

"Buy American" - a report on the "buy American" clause included in the economic stimulus package passed by Congress this week. Fought hard for by the steel industry, it mandates that any infrastructure project paid for with stimulus dollars must use steel made in the USA and not cheaper imports. American businesses that export overseas now worry foreign governments will retaliate and keep U.S. products out of their market, thus hurting their business. Interviewed: Dan Dimicco, CEO of Nucor, the United States' biggest steel maker; Doug Jellison, Nucor plant manager; cold saw operator Jeremy Davis; and Jim Owens, CEO of Caterpillar.

"World of Trouble" - Paul Bishop was a mortgage salesman at the San Francisco branch of World Savings of California, the United States' second largest savings and loan. In an interview, he recounts how - three years before the housing market crash - he warned his superiors that many of the mortgages they were granting were misleading and predatory. This practice contributed to the eventual self-destruction of the mortgage industry, setting off an economic collapse that ruined the finances of millions of Americans. Also interviewed: Betty Townes, financially ruined after being sold a series of World Savings mortgages she couldn't afford; Maeve-Elyse Brown, lawyer for a non-profit group working to save homeowners from foreclosure; and Bob Simpson, whose company, IMARC, investigates failed mortgages.

"War In Pakistan" - a report on the conflicts in Pakistan, featuring an interview with President Asif Ali Zardari. The Muslim nation, whose support is critical to the U.S. mission in Afghanistan, is not only broke and embroiled in another crisis with its arch enemy India, it's also now at war with Muslim extremists trying to destroy the government. This growing insurgency, run by the Taliban and al Qaeda, is threatening the stability of a key U.S. ally that is believed to have as many as a hundred nuclear weapons. Also interviewed: General Tariq Khan, commander of Pakistan's forces in the tribal territories; Bruce Riedel, a senior fellow at the Brookings Institute, who has spent thirty years as a CIA analyst and has advised President Barack Obama on the situation in Pakistan; and Khalid Khawaja, former Pakistani intelligence officer and friend of Osama bin Laden.

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Headline Saturday

A half hour discussion regarding 2009-2010 budget for the State of North Carolina. Guests included two members from the State Senate, one Democrat and one Republican representative.

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48 HOURS: LIVE TO TELL: "River's Edge" - On January 8, 2000, college students Danielle Keener and Dan Zapp were on a date, walking along a river's edge outside York, Pennsylvania, when they were kidnapped at gunpoint by a man in a pick-up truck. The gunman put Dan in the back of the truck with his Rottweiler dog; he put Danielle in the passenger seat, where he then raped her. Afterwards, he then put them both out of the truck, and ordered them to walk down towards the river. From behind, he then shot them both in the face. Feigning death, they floated down the river, out of the gunman's view. They were soon picked up by a hunter, Pete Prowell, who was able to contact the police and get them to a hospital. Dan -- on a respirator and unable to speak -- wrote on a notepad what he remembered of the gunman and gave the police the clues they needed to find him. Police then tracked down and arrested William Babner for the crime. Six months after the shooting, Babner went on trial; he was convicted and sentenced to one-hundred and seventeen and a half to two-hundred and thirty five years in prison.

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NC Spin

On this edition of NC SPIN we will be asking our panel to give their spin on North Carolina's portion of the stimulus plan, on tuition increases at UNC Campuses, on Governor Perdue's first big legislative challenge, and on a new story about continuing drought in our state.

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"The Drinking Age" - an examination of the debate over lowering the legal drinking age from 21 to 18, a controversial idea embraced by some and roundly criticized by groups such as Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD). Includes interviews with: John McCardell, former president of Middlebury College in Vermont, who started the movement dedicated to lowering the drinking age back to 18; Mark Beckner, Chief of Police, Boulder, Colorado; Leslie and Michael Lanahan, mother and stepfather of University of Colorado freshman Gordie Bailey, who died of alcohol poisoning when he underwent a Chi Psi fraternity initiation; and Chuck Hurley, Executive Director of MADD.

"Kidnapped in Basra" - a report on the war in Iraq, featuring an interview with CBS News producer/camerman Richard Butler, who was kidnapped in Basra in 2008. At that time, the southern city was in total chaos, at the mercy of warring Shiite factions -- many of whom were taking their orders from Iran and Hezbollah. In one of the first major Iraqi-led military missions since the United States invasion, Iraqi troops, along with their U.S. counterparts, invaded the city, took control, and rescued Butler, leading to an understanding that the new Iraqi government could successfully combat the militias. Also includes an interview with Colonel Peter Mansoor, former executive officer to America's top commander in Iraq.

"The Mascot" - an interview/profile of Alex Kurzem, who at the age of six watched his family being shot by the Nazis. Born Elia Solomonovich Kalperin in Koidanov, Belorussia, he decided to flee into the forest the morning his Jewish family was to be exterminated and survived there for months, before being captured by Nazi soldiers, who not knowing he was Jewish, made him the youngest corporal in the Nazi army. After the war, he migrated to Australia, married and had his own family, but did not reveal his true identity -- a secret he kept for more than fifty years. Though unable to remember his true identity, with help from his son, he was able to rediscover his past, the fate of his family, and meet a half-brother he didn't even know existed.

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A half hour discussion regarding the sixth annual "Raleigh Spy Conference". Guests included conference founder and chair of the political science department at NCSU.

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48 HOURS MYSTERY: "The Secret Life Of Paige Birgfeld" - A report on the June 28, 2007 disappearance of Paige Birgfeld, twice-divorced mother of three and a resident of Grand Junction, Colorado and the subsequent double-life uncovered by investigators following her disappearance. Following her 2006 divorce, Paige became the primary caregiver to her children and was described as such a devoted mother that the Mesa County Sheriff's Department was convinced she would never have left on her own accord. As friends and family searched for her; her car was found abandoned and on fire in an empty lot. Her first husband, Ron Beigler became the focus of the investigation, when it was learned that the two had been on a date the day of her disappearance, but Paige's friends and family were far more suspicious of the children's father, Rob Dixon, as she had a troubled history with him. After a thorough inquiry, both men had solid alibis. As the investigation continued, it was discovered that Paige was also known as Carrie, a high-priced escort. Her family suspected she had money issues. Investigators then began to believe Paige was murdered by one of her clients. Using her cell phone records, police began carefully looking at all of her clients and eventually honed in on one man, Lester Ralph Jones, an ex-con who had served time for kidnapping and assault. Authorities searched his home, but will not discuss what evidence they uncovered. Search dogs led investigators from Paige's car to an RV shop where Jones worked as a mechanic. Although authorities have zeroed in on Lester Ralph Jones, no charges have been filed and he denies any involvement. The lack of a body, coupled with Paige's secret life, have made it that much harder to prove anything beyond a reasonable doubt. Her friends and family continue their search.

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48 HOURS: LIVE TO TELL: "Black Wave" - In June 2005, John and Jean Silverwood of San Diego, California, along with their four children, were sailing around the world in their 55-foot catamaran when they struck a hidden reef. A massive wave then forced the 2,500 pound mast to fall on John Silverwood, pinning him to the deck and cutting right through his leg. Through the resourcefulness of his son, Ben, and his wife, Jean, John's blood loss was stopped, and the family was moved to a coral ledge about a hundred feet away from the boat. The signal from their emergency beacon, held by son Jack, enabled the Coast Guard Station in Alameda, California, to pinpoint their location - approximately 350 nautical miles west of Tahiti Papeete. They were finally rescued and John was transported to the hospital in Tahiti. Although his leg had to be amputated, John's life was saved.

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NC Spin

North Carolina has had three Constitutions in our 233 year history. The first, written in 1776, drafted the main outlines for government in this newly declared independent state. It was greatly modified to give the public more voice in government in 1835 and again when our state seceded from the union in 1861. The second Constitution, drawn and approved in 1868, was initiated by Congress following the Civil War. The 1868 Constitution had 97 proposed amendments, but only 67 of them passed. At least two attempts were made to draw a new Constitution but they failed. In 1967 Governor Dan K. Moore suggested to the North Carolina State Bar that they study the need to a revision of the 100 year-old 1868 Constitution. They recommended changes and in 1971 a new Constitution was drawn. This document has also been amended by the voters on several occasions.

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"The Man Who Knew" - an interview with Harry Markopolos, a Boston financial analyst and fraud investigator who repeatedly told the Securities and Exchange Commission that Wall Street financier Bernard L. Madoff's investment fund was a fraud. He was ignored, and investors lost billions of dollars. Also interviewed: former Madoff customers Shelly Ludlow and Len Forrest, who lost their investments; and Attorney David Boies.

"The War Next Door" - a report on the drug cartel fueled violence in Mexico, where kidnappings, torture, and brutal beheadings have become common. President Felipe Calderon has declared war on the well-armed gangs, whose military-quality weapons come mostly from U.S. dealers. Interviewed: Janet Napolitano, U.S. Secretary of Homeland Security; Claudia Wallace and Maria Isabel, whose brother/son Hugo was kidnapped and killed by a gang; Mexico's Attorney General Eduardo Medina-Mora; Sandra Avila Beltran, one of Mexico's most famous alleged drug traffickers.

"Bobby Jindal" - an interview/profile of Louisiana Governor Bobby Jindal, who gave the Republican response to President Obama's address to Congress on February 24th. Also interviewed: Jim Amoss, editor of the New Orleans Times Picayune; Supriya Jindal, Bobby's wife; and Newt Gingrich, former Republican Speaker of the House.

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7:30PM

Headline Saturday

A half hour discussion regarding recession in North Carolina. Guests included an economist from NC State, a small business owner, and a 59 year old who is out-of-work for the first time in his adult life.

2 hours

03/07/2009

8:00PM

48 HOURS MINI-MYSTERY: "Written In Blood" - a six-part, edited version of "Written In Blood" - a report on the brutal 1994 murders of the Rafay family in Bellevue, Washington, and the subsequent arrest and conviction of Atif Rafay, the only surviving family member, and his friend Sebastian Burns. Correspondent: Peter Van Sant. The six separate segments are spaced and aired within the two-hour program block of the CBS Entertainment series CRIMETIME SATURDAY: CSI:CRIME SCENE INVESTIGATION and WITHOUT A TRACE. .

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48 HOURS MYSTERY: "Picture Perfect" - On June 9, 2008, 30-year-old Travis Alexander, a successful businessman and devout Mormon, was found murdered in his Mesa, Arizona home. He had been shot and then repeatedly stabbed. For a little more than a year, he had been involved with Jodi Arias, an aspiring photographer whom he had met at a business conference. She adopted his Mormon beliefs, which forbid premarital sex -- but they did become sexually involved. Although they supposedly ended their relationship when Jodi found out that Travis was interested in some other girls, Jodi then moved to Mesa. Police investigation of the murder scene recovered a digital camera with electronically dated, sexually explicit photos Travis and Jodi had taken of themselves -- and photos of Travis during the time he was being killed or soon after. When confronted by police, Jodi claimed that two masked intruders had broken in to Travis' home and murderously assaulted him -- but that she was able to escape. She did not call anyone for help, and told no one of the assault. Five days later, Travis was found dead by his roommates. Further police investigation resulted in the arrest of Jodi Arias on charges of first-degree murder. Her trial will take place sometime in 2010. Includes interviews with Jodi Arias; Chris and Sky Hughes, friends of Travis Alexander; Samantha and Steve Alexander, Travis' sister and brother; Travis' friends Taylor Searle, Brint Hiatt, and Aaron Mortenson; Esteban Flores, detective, Mesa Police Department.

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6:30AM

NC Spin

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This week we ask our panel to talk about the slow start to this year's legislature, about Senator Kay Hagan's union label, a possible ban on smoking in public places, and whether video poker machines are about to return to our state.

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03/08/2009

7:00PM

60 MINUTES

"Your Bank Has Failed" - an examination of what happens when a bank fails, as 60 MINUTES is granted exclusive access to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation's takeover of Heritage Community Bank in Glenwood, Illinois -- a Chicago suburb. Interviewed: Sheila Bair, Chairman of the FDIC; Cheryl Bates, Arthur Cook, Rickey McCullough, FDIC agents; Audrey and Bill Hess, Heritage Community Bank customers; and Mitchell Feiger, CEO of MB Financial, which bought Heritage.

"Eyewitness" - a report on the case of Ronald Cotton, a North Carolina man who was twice falsely convicted of raping Jennifer Thompson on the strength of her eyewitness testimony. Years later he was exonerated due to DNA testing -- and forgave his accuser. Memory experts demonstrate how easy and how common it is for eyewitnesses to make inaccurate identifications. Interviewed: Jennifer Thompson; Ronald Cotton; Detective Mike Gaudin; Rich Rosen, law professor and Cotton's attorney; memory experts Gary Wells, Professor of Psychology at Iowa State University and Elizabeth Loftus, Professor of Psychology and Law at the University of California Irvine.

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03/14/2009

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48 HOURS MYSTERY: "Toxic" - On December 2, 2000, 30-year-old Eric Miller died in a Raleigh, North Carolina hospital. Blood tests had revealed that he had been poisoned with arsenic. Police investigation discovered that Eric's wife, Ann, a chemist, was having an affair with Derril Willard, a biochemist who worked at the same company as she. On the day after police initially questioned him about Eric's death, Derril Willard committed suicide. Prior to doing so, he had a confidential conversation with his lawyer, Rick Gammon. Years passed -- and in the spring of 2004, the North Carolina Supreme Court ruled that Gammon must reveal what Willard had told him about Ann's role in Eric's murder. Gammon then revealed how Ann admitted to Derril Willard that she had injected a substance into Eric's IV bag...and Willard had told Gammon that he himself had never tried to kill Eric. Ann Miller was charged with Eric's murder. Because the District Attorney and the Miller family had misgivings about the outcome of a trial, Ann was offered a plea bargain: twenty-five years in prison for Eric's murder. She accepted.

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03/15/2009

6:30AM

NC Spin

This week we ask our panel to talk about Governor Perdue's State of the State Address, we will talk about a new Supreme Court ruling that could change legislative districts, learn whether it is time to abolish the death penalty and talk about whether nonprofits should be able to spend their endowments.

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03/15/2009

7:00PM

60 MINUTES

"The Chairman" - in a rare interview with a sitting Federal Reserve Chairman, the first in twenty years, Ben Bernanke talks about what went wrong with America's financial system, how it caused the current economic crisis, what the Federal Reserve is doing to help fix it and when he expects the crippling recession to end.

"Alice Waters" - an interview with Alice Waters, who has been cooking and preaching the virtues of fresh food grown in an environmentally friendly way for decades. A world-class restaurant -- Chez Panisse in Berkeley, California -- and eight cookbooks to her credit, Waters has become famous for her "slow food" approach, an antidote to fast food. Also interviewed: San Francisco Mayor Gavin Newsom; and John Lagier, farmer.

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48 HOURS MYSTERY: "Point Blank" - Traci and Scott Rhode had been together for twenty years and were the parents of three sons. Traci was a nurse. Scott, a jealous man, suspected his wife of having affairs with the different doctors she worked with, and moved the family five times in thirteen years, finally ending up in Brownsville, Texas. There Traci met Shawn Michaels, the unit secretary at the hospital where she worked. She claimed Michaels was only a friend, but Scott took Traci to a lawyer's office and said that he was getting a divorce and would have custody of the boys. On the day after that -- October 15, 2003 -- Scott died from a gunshot wound to the head in the couple's Brownsville, Texas home. Traci claimed that Scott shot himself and that she found him. After a two year investigation, Traci was arrested for his murder. Throughout it all, Traci maintained that she was innocent. At her trial, the jury found her guilty. Under Texas law, the defense has the option of letting the jurors decide the punishment as well as the verdict. Traci's lawyer opted for a jury sentence, and, after hearing her testimony and that of her two oldest boys, the jury allowed her to be released on ten years probation.

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03/22/2009

6:30AM

NC Spin

The big news this week was Governor Perdue's recommendations for the state budget for the next two years and that will be our main topic this week. Faced with some of the toughest economy since The Great Depression, Governor Beverly Perdue presented her budget proposals this week. Perdue's 21 billion budget for the fiscal year starting July 1 cuts 1.3 billion from the budget, eliminates 1,000 jobs and uses 1.7 billion in federal funding and proposes some 680 million in cigarette and alcohol tax increases.

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03/22/2009

7:52PM

60 MINUTES

"President Obama" - an interview with President Barack Obama, in which he discusses the most pressing issues of his first two months in office, including the economy, the bailouts, his budget, America's involvement in Afghanistan and Pakistan, and national security. He also discusses how he and his family are adjusting to life in the White House.

"Mr. Ayers and Mr. Lopez" - a report on the friendship between Los Angeles Times columnist Steve Lopez and mentally ill musician Nathaniel Ayers, a former Juilliard student who suffers from paranoid schizophrenia. Their relationship, the subject of a book by Lopez, is now a Hollywood film ("The Soloist"). Interviewed: Steve Lopez; Nathaniel Ayers; Jennifer Ayers-Moore, Nathaniel's sister; Casey Horan, who runs Lamp, a private agency which provides shelter and services for the homeless who are mentally ill; Adam Crane, publicist for the Los Angeles Philharmonic; and Robert Gupta, violinist with the Los Angeles Philharmonic.

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03/28/2009

10:38PM

48 HOURS MYSTERY: "Memory of Murder" - In November 2004, Bethlehem, New York couple Peter and Joan Porco were brutally attacked in their bed with an ax. Peter died at the scene. Joan survived and, although initially unable to speak because of her wounds, she nodded "yes" when a detective on the scene asked her if her son Christopher was their attacker. Afterwards, when she had recovered from the attack, Joan said she doesn't recall that nod and that Christopher is innocent. 48 HOURS follows the police investigation into the case, leading to Christopher Porco's trial and conviction. Includes interviews with: Mike McDermott, chief prosecutor, Albany County; Chris Bowdish, detective; Christopher Porco; David Rossi, prosecutor; Laurie Shanks, lawyer; Terry Kindlon, lawyer; Dr. Mary Dombovy, neurologist.

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03/29/2009

6:30AM

NC Spin

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This week we ask out panel to talk about Judge Howard Manning's apparent mandate for the state to take over operation of Halifax County Schools, about state employees at the center of several controversies, how transportation fares in the Perdue budget proposals, and how to get some badly needed federal judges.

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03/29/2009

7:17PM

60 MINUTES

"The Internet Is Infected" - a report on computer viruses, focusing specifically on the feared Conficker Worm. Proliferating on the Internet and infecting PC's, these malicious programs enable hackers and cyber gangs -- often young, male, and from Russia -- to learn the information they need to electronically rob bank accounts. Interviewed: Steve Trilling, Vice President at Symantec, the company that makes Norton anti-virus software; Mary Rappaport, victim of a computer virus that transferred funds out of her bank account; Vint Cerf, one of the founding fathers of the Internet and now a Vice President at Google; Don Jackson, director of threat intelligence at SecureWorks in Atlanta, which protects corporations against cyber-attacks and tracks the hackers who launch them; Louie Pelaez, a network engineer at CBS.

"Poisoned" - a report on the African lion, in danger of extinction. Herders, in order to protect their livestock, are poisoning them with Furadan, a cheap American pesticide manufactured by FMC Corporation. Interviewed: Dr. Laurence Frank of the University of California Berkeley; Alayne Cotterill, Dr. Frank's colleague; Claus Mortensen, ranch owner in Kenya; Antony Kasanga, Maasai warrior and member of Lion Guardians; Dr. Richard Leakey, doyen of conservationists in Africa; Tom Hill, American philanthropist; and Richard Bonham, a Kenyan naturalist.

"LeBron" - an interview/profile of Cleveland Cavaliers basketball superstar LeBron James, who at only 24, is already among an elite handful of athletes who command tens of millions a year in playing and marketing fees. Also interviewed: Gloria James, LeBron's mother; Maverick Carter, CEO of LeBron's company.

SPORTS

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01/28/2009

7PM

Kay Yow Tribute

Live tribute from NC State honoring women's basketball coach Kay Yow. Yow died from breast cancer.

1 HR/35 MINS

01/30/2009

3PM

Kay Yow Funeral

Live coverage of the funeral for Kay Yow, women's basketball coach at NC State.

30:00

01/30/2009

7PM

Kay Yow Special

Half-hour special honoring the life and legacy of Kay Yow, NC State's women's basketball coach. Coach Yow touched many lives through her coaching and her friendship before succumbing to breast cancer.

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02/11/2009

11:17PM

Battle Of The Blues

Live expanded coverage during our 11PM news of the "Battle of the Blues" basketball game between UNC and Duke. Live news coverage at Duke and Chapel Hill. (Additional 8 minutes beyond normal newscast broadcast)

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03/08/2009

6:16PM

Battle Of The Blues

Live expanded coverage during our 11PM news of the second meeting of the UNC and Duke men's basketball teams. (Additional 9 minutes beyond normal newscast broadcast)

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03/12/2009

9PM

Hoops Headquarters

Hoops Headquarters: ACC Special was a live half-hour special at 9PM prior to the 4th ACC Championship game. Live reports from Chapel Hill and Atlanta anchored by Tom Suiter. Program showcased UNC, NC State and Duke in the quest for the title.